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Mr. & Mrs. Lawrence D. Miles
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Dear Mr. & Mrs. Miles:

On behalf of our VE Group, I wish to express our profound gratitude for your courtesy, assistance and hospitality extended us during our recent visit to the United States.

Personally, it was my greatest delight to have a grand reunion with you both.

The recent tour was very enjoyable and beneficial in many ways, but the two days, April 6th and 7th, were particularly full of excitement and surprises for us, from the moment we deplaned in Washington, D. C. and until our departure from Easton. It was heart-warming to receive those Japanese newspapers from your son. We relished the excellent dinner and breakfast specially prepared for us by Mrs. Miles in a beautiful and quiet surroundings of your estate. The name card you so thoughtfully prepared for each of us with the Japanese words, WELCOE, together with the placard, were truly descriptive of the warm reception. The trip you made for us on your motor boat was really refreshing. I shall never forget the pleasant experience of those two days.

I must apologize for the delay in sending you this letter. After parting with my group in London on April 21st, I visited Iran, Poland, Czechoslovakia, among others, where Japan Steel personnel are stationed as representatives either at branch offices or at field offices and returned to Hiroshima on May 7th. Since my return, I have been swamped with work, probably a "judgment of Heaven" for my long absence from the plant.

I must thank you also for your thoughtful gifts for my wife and myself. My wife joins me in wishing you both good health and good luck and also in hoping to meet you again in Japan.

Again, many thanks!

Yours sincerely,

Yasuhiro Kitamura

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P. S. It was a great pleasure to have the opportunity of meeting your fine son. Please convey to him our appreciation.